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4. AS FURTHER STEP TO MAXIMIZE TOTAL STAFF TIME AND EXPOSURE WHILE STILL MAINTAINING TECHNICAL, LOW KEY NATURE OF VISITS, WE NOW PROPOSE, WITH YOUR CONCURRENCE, TO HAVE SVEC REMAIN IN MOSCOW FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF HIS TRAVEL WITH NOVOTNY IN ORDER TO PERMIT SVEC ACCOMPANY AND ASSIST WANAMAKER'S VISIT WOULD FOLLOW SHORTLY THEREAFTER.

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